

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1166
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A RESOLUTION to commend Thomas Dodd Newton for
outstanding and exemplary service as an intern
for Deputy Speaker Larry Turner.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Dodd Newton is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Deputy Speaker Larry Turner; Mr. Newton's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Dodd has proven himself to be adept in every aspect of legislative employment, excelling at all tasks assigned to him; and

WHEREAS, a native of Memphis, Dodd Newton is a 2002 graduate of Christian Brothers High School; and

WHEREAS, after first attending Loyola University in New Orleans, he is now a student at the University of Memphis, where he is pursuing a double major in Political Science and Broadcast Journalism; and

WHEREAS, an Eagle Scout who is always prepared, Dodd has excelled academically at the University of Memphis, while participating in various extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Dodd Newton has received numerous accolades during his high school and collegiate careers; he was named "Outstanding Statesman" by the YMCA Youth Legislature in 2002, and he has won awards for speech writing from the Optimist Club International and the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Essay Contest; and

WHEREAS, after completing his education, this exceptional young man hopes to pursue a career in writing and documentary filmmaking; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Newton brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the session, he has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, and he has been an invaluable asset to Deputy Speaker Larry Turner and his staff; and

WHEREAS, Dodd was voted "Wittiest" by his fellow interns in appreciation of his engaging sense of humor and rapier-sharp wit; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize and commend those interns who have faithfully served this State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Thomas Dodd Newton for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Deputy Speaker Larry Turner and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.